

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 66  
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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Sarah Lipsey of Memphis upon being named a Distinguished Finalist for the Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting for the members of this General Assembly to pause in their deliberations to salute those young citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Lipsey, an esteemed resident of Memphis and a senior at Ridgeway High School, has been recognized as one of Tennessee's top youth volunteers in the tenth annual Prudential Spirit of Community Award program; and

WHEREAS, for her exemplary public service, Sarah was recognized as a Distinguished Finalist and one of this State's most committed youth volunteers in the 2005 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals to honor young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Lipsey was recognized for spearheading an effort to raise 5,000 dollars to fulfill the wish of a critically ill child and subsequently granting the wish during a community play she produced; and

WHEREAS, Sarah previously raised 15,000 dollars and granted wishes for three other children in conjunction with the Make-A-Wish Foundation; and

WHEREAS, as a Distinguished Finalist, Mrs. Lipsey will receive an engraved bronze medallion at a local ceremony; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lipsey epitomizes the spirit of service and commitment to community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean and justly takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State its nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of young people like Ms. Lipsey who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Sarah Lipsey on being recognized as a Distinguished Finalist in the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program, recognize her outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, and community spirit, and extend to her our best wishes for every continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.